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SUBJECT: CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS ON DECRIMINALIZATION  
OF MARIHUANA

REF: STATE 057902

1. DR. ELISIO DA SILVA, GPRM CHIEF PHARMACIST, TOLD EMBASSY REPRESENTATIVE THAT GPRM EXERCISES STRICT CONTROL OVER ENTRY OF NARCOTICS AND MARIHUANA. CUSTOMS POLICE OFTEN SEARCH CREW MEMBERS OF SHIPS ARRIVING FROM FAR EAST. LOCAL PRESS HAS PERIODICALLY REPORTED THE DETECTION OF MARIHUANA PEDDLERS. HEAVY FINES OR IMPRISONMENT ARE METED TO THOSE CONVICTED. THE USE OF MARIHUANA IS NOT PERMITTED IN MOZAMBIQUE.

2. ALTHOUGH PHARMACISTS ARE REQUIRED BY LAW TO EXERCISE STRICT CONTROL IN THE DISPENSING OF NARCOTICS, A WIDE VARIETY OF LESSER STIMULANT AND DEPRESSIVE DRUGS ARE AVAILABLE WITHOUT PRESCRIPTION. SOME ABUSES DO OCCUR, LARGELY AMONG JUVENILES. NARCOTICS ABUSE IS DELT WITH FIRMLY BY LOCAL POLICE AGENCIES.

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3. DA SILVA STATED THAT GPRM FOLLOWS THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS CONTROL BOARD OF THE UNITED NATIONS, GENEVA, AND INTERNATIONAL CONTROL MEASURES ARE ADOPTED BY GPRM.DE PREE

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